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"Tova Wang"

06/09/2006 04:19 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: travel

I'll fax it to you if that works. The total is \$124.44. Thank you. Have a nice weekend. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, June 09, 2006 3:03 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: travel

Send it now. Let me know how much it is, so that I can include it in the total for reimbursement. ---
Peggy

"Tova Wang"

06/09/2006 01:56 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject travel

003003

Hi again,

I just got the bill from our car service from the trip last month. Can I still send it to you? Do I need a cover note? Thanks. Tova

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"Tova Wang"

06/09/2006 12:49 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Sarahmyll" <serahmyll@shcglobal.net>

cc

Subject more gao

Sorry, its 500 pages -- it also includes data on absentee fraud and voter intimidation

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/12/2006 05:09 PM

To "Tova Wang" <tovawang@centuryfoundation.org>

cc

Subject RE: Will Call Later

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How about 9:30 AM EST, Wednesday morning (6/14/06)?

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

06/12/2006 04:46 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Will Call Later

Either between 9 and 10 or between 12 and 1:30 would be ideal, but I should be around most of the afternoon. Thanks Peg. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

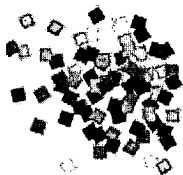
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2006 2:39 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Will Call Later

I'll try to call you Wednesday. Is there a time that is best for you? Today has been too hectic. Tomorrow is primary election day in VA. Still no transcript. I have taken a look at the recommendations that you sent me, but have not yet heard from Job. --- Peg

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

06/07/2006 10:01 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc jwilson@eac.gov

Subject Re: Transcript of 5-18-06 Working Group Meeting [REDACTED]

I will call the transcript company and ask them about it.

Devon Romig
United States Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave. NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
202.566.2377 phone
202.566.3128 fax
www.eac.gov
Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/07/2006 09:47 AM

To dromig@eac.gov, jwilson@eac.gov

cc

Subject Transcript of 5-18-06 Working Group Meeting

003005

Have we had any word about the transcript for the 5-18-06 Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group meeting? Our consultants each need a copy so that they can draft the final report? If we have it in electronic form, so much the better. --- Peggy

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Diana Scott/EAC/GOV

06/09/2006 01:02 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Travel Reimbursement for Job Sebrebrov

Peggy,

Regarding his travel for the EAC's May 18 meeting, I would concur with you that we should reimburse Mr. Serebrov in the amount of \$1200.03 for travel related expenses (hotel/mileage/per diem). Since there is a \$577.95 dollar difference in cost (travel via air vs travel via POV), I believe the \$1200.03 is more economically advantageous to the Agency. Attached is your drafted memo.



JobSerebrov\$1200.03reimbursement.pdf

Diana M. Scott
Administrative Officer
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
(202) 566-3100 (office)
(202) 566-3127 (fax)
dscott@eac.gov

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/09/2006 04:45 PM

To "Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>

cc

Subject RE: travel 

Got It! You should receive a total travel reimbursement of \$1,533.02 for that trip. (I could not include the internet service fee the hotel charged, but everything else counted.) --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" 



"Tova Wang"

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06/09/2006 04:19 PM

To psims@eac.gov
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Subject RE: travel

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Subject: Re: travel

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Peggy

"Tova Wang" [redacted]

06/09/2006 01:56 PM

To psims@eac.gov
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Subject travel

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"Tova Wang"

06/12/2006 05:11 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Will Call Later

Perfect. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 12, 2006 4:09 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Will Call Later

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"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

06/12/2006 04:46 PM

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"Tova Wang"

06/05/2006 04:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov [REDACTED]

cc

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recommendations

Here are my recommendations with the last one now included. Please let me know about the transcript and when you all want to talk about getting the final report done. Thanks. Tova

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"Job Serebrov"

[redacted]

06/13/2006 09:10 AM

To psims@eac.gov, [redacted]

cc

Subject Transcripts, Etc.

Peggy:

Any sign of the transcript? Will the other members of the working group get a copy? I have had questions from several about it.

If you want to talk I can do so this Friday at 6 pm your time.

Job

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/08/2006 11:07 AM

To [redacted]

cc [redacted]

Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference [redacted]

4 PM EST is fine with me, if it works for Job. --- Peggy



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To: psims@eac.gov; [REDACTED]
Subject: Transcripts, Etc.

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"Tova Wang"

06/09/2006 12:09 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

cc

Subject gao report

This has information on many of our topics, but they also surveyed jurisdictions on voter reg fraud coming up with a rate of 5%

Elections: The Nation's Evolving Election System as Reflected in the November 2004 General Election. GAO-06-450, June 6.

<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?GAO-06-450>

Highlights - <http://www.gao.gov/highlights/d06450high.pdf>

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Joyce Wilson/EAC/GOV

06/07/2006 09:58 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: Transcript of 5-18-06 Working Group Meeting [REDACTED]

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Not that I know of. Would it have gone to Bryan possibly? Our public meeting transcripts go to him.

Joyce H. Wilson
Staff Assistant
US Election Assistance Commission
202-566-3100 (office)
202-566-3128 (fax)

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/09/2006 04:50 PM

To "Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
cc
Subject Re: Travel & Transcripts

Our Financial Officer accepted my arguments. You should receive a travel reimbursement totalling \$1,200.03. GSA will reimburse through electronic funds transfer. I don't usually receive notification when our consultants are reimbursed.

I still have no transcripts. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]



"Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
06/08/2006 10:42 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]
cc
Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference

Peggy:

I can't predict when I get home but it is between 5:30 and 6:30 my time. I know that is generally too late to have a teleconference.

I plan to review Tova's recommendations this weekend and work on my own as well as expanding the explanation of the case section.

Please see what your financial officer did with regards to my travel.

Thank you,

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> What time do you arrive home from work? Perhaps we

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> could talk then?
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> Re your question on the mileage, I have approached
> our Financial Officer
> with a request that you receive full reimbursement
> on the grounds that
> your actual total travel costs are less than the
> estimated total travel
> costs if you had flown to DC, stayed in our more
> expensive hotels, and
> received the higher per diem for 3 days (instead of
> 1). I have not yet
> received a response from her and she has been out of
> the office much of
> this week, so I don't know what she decided to do.
> --- Peggy
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> "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>
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> Peg:
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> I just arrived home for lunch. I can no longer take
> time during the work day for telephone conferences.
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> I told you I will need to finish this project after
> daily working hours. I am still getting things done
> from being out for ten days. I will review Tova's
> recommendations and expand on mine this weekend.
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> Also, I sent you an e-mail asking how you handled
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06/14/2006 10:46 PM

To "Job Serebrov" [redacted]

cc

Subject Re: teleconference

Could you do Friday in the morning?

----- Original Message -----

From: "Job Serebrov" [redacted]

To: [redacted] <psims@eac.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 10:17 PM

Subject: Re: teleconference

> Tova:

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> 5 pm EST is 4 pm Central. Peg would have to call at 7
> pm EST to be 6 pm Central.

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> Job

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> --- [redacted] wrote:

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>> Let's try to do that. Peg, you will call us 5 pm
>> EST?

>> ----- Original Message -----

>> From: "Job Serebrov" [redacted]

>> To: "Tova Wang" [redacted]

>> Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 6:29 PM

>> Subject: Re: teleconference

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>> > Wednesday next week? It would have to be 6 pm.

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>> > --- Tova Wang [redacted] wrote:

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> 06/08/2006 10:10 AM

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To psims@eac.gov

Subject travel

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06/08/2006 05:09 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/16/2006 03:37 PM

To "Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject RE: Your Materials 

OK. --- Peg

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>



"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>
>

05/16/2006 03:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Your Materials

003022

Let me try to do it, Peg. Again what I do not want to see occur is for the LCCR to start attacking us. We have more in common with them than I had originally assumed, thanks to the write-ups of their interviews. We need to promote what we have in common not try to score political points. But I will try to correct the records as long as you will agree you heard what I said the way I know I said it!

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 3:14 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Your Materials

I fully understand. Do you want me to prepare a correction sheet for the Working Group, placing your second and more important point first, or do you want to handle this verbally at the meeting? --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/16/2006 02:55 PM

Topsims@eac.gov
cc
Subject: RE: Your Materials

The first item is not as big a deal as the second one: the processes under which subjects of investigations come to Jesus is not as important as the overall assessment of our law enforcement achievements. But stressing the isolated test cases we brought - - and will continue to bring - - to deter things like felon voting, alien voting and double voting, which not mentioning such significant achievements as the five case PROJECTS mentioned in my last e-mail - - misrepresents what we are doing and the deterrent message we are trying to communicate.

I appreciate that these two young people may have found themselves in a Brave New World when they came over here. It showed in their questioning. But the fact that criminal law enforcement is not at all similar to preventative legal relief (as under the Voting Rights Act) or civil relief (as election contest litigation) is I guess more of a problem than I at first foresaw. My real concern is that the civil rights groups - - with whom we over here have an amazing amount of common grounds - - will take the singling out of the felon and alien voter cases as evincing a malevolent aggression on their constituencies. That is not the case. We are only enforcing the law.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 2:47 PM

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To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Your Materials

I think they are panicking because they are preparing to travel tomorrow and may not have time to submit a revised version. They also are resisting changes to their interview summaries because the summaries represent what they think they heard. I was there at the interview and I heard what you said. I'm not sure that either of them heard everything (including the nuances) because so much of the information was new to them and it was one of their earlier interviews. I'm sorry I did not catch the defects before the summary went out.

My first concern is ensuring that the Working Group has the correct information. Then, we can deal with what version, *if any*, goes in the final report. Do you want me to excerpt the corrections from your email and submit them to the Working Group? --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/16/2006 01:41 PM

Topsims@eac.gov
cc
Subject: RE: Your Materials

Sure. But where is the resistance coming from? The notes were not accurate. As you know, I have to be very concerned about that.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 12:34 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Your Materials

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Craig:

I am getting some resistance from my consultants to correcting the summary of the interview prior to the meeting. Would you mind noting the corrections at the meeting? --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/16/2006 12:06 PM

Topsims@eac.gov

cc

SubjectRE: Your Materials

Thank you, Peg. This stuff is very interesting.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 11:27 AM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Your Materials

I have forwarded your message to our consultants and have requested a corrected version for distribution

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at the WG meeting. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/16/2006 10:46 AM

Topsims@eac.gov
cc
SubjectYour Materials

Peg - -

I have read over the materials you sent to me and viewed the pieces on the CD.

I have only one correction:

I did not say that offenders who receive target letters routinely request - - or routinely receive - - audiences here at DOJHQ. That is very rare. Instead, what usually happens is that once a subject for an election fraud investigation is advised that he or she is going to be charged that person usually enters into plea negotiations and ultimately pleads guilty. Very few federal election fraud cases go to trial. When a subject does request a HQ interview or a HW hearing, it would be held in the first instance by myself. But again, Peg, that is rare.

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New Hampshire growing out of the jamming of get0-out-the-vote phone bank lines attest.

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:19 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/15/2006 03:51 PM

To Paul DeGregorio, Ray Martinez, Donetta Davidson, Gracia Hillman

cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov, Gavin S. Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC, ecortes@eac.gov, Amie J. Sherrill/EAC/GOV@EAC, Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC, Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV@EAC, Sheila A. Banks/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project Briefing

Dear Commissioners:

Attached is our consultants' analysis of the literature reviewed for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation preliminary research project. It was not included in the information packets delivered to you on Friday, May 12, because we did not receive it until today. I thought you might be interested in having it. prior to tomorrow's briefing.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist



Literature-Report Review Summary.doc

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:19 PM -----



"Tova Wang"

05/16/2006 11:03 AM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject RE: Your Materials

I think he can just raise these points at the meeting, no? I'm sure many we interviewed would say we misquoted them on something. This is what both Job and I remember him saying. I think it would be unfair for him to change/amend his interview without giving the same opportunity to the other interviewees.

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2006 9:59 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Fw: Your Materials

See corrections from Donsanto at DOJ. We should probably provide corrected versions to the Working Group. --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 05/16/2006 10:58 AM -----

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/16/2006 10:46 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

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"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>
>

05/19/2006 03:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc "Simmons, Nancy" <Nancy.Simmons@usdoj.gov>

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project-Nexis Word Search

Peggy --

I was just thinking of you!

Great session yesterday. I really enjoyed it. Robust discussion.

On another subject, Nancy Simmons needs the e-mail address of NASED. Can you give her both that and the website address for them? Her e-mail is nancy.simmons@usdoj.gov.

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Fri May 19 14:51:21 2006

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project-Nexis Word Search

Craig;

You asked about the Nexis search terms used by our consultants. The list follows. --- Peggy.

Election and fraud
Voter and fraud
Vote and fraud
Voter and challenge
Vote and challenge
Election and challenge
Election and irregularity
Election and irregularities
Election and violation
Election and stealing
Ballot box and tampering
Ballot box and theft
Ballot box and stealing
Election and officers
Election and Sheriff
Miscount and votes
Election and crime
Election and criminal
Vote and crime
Vote and criminal
Double voting
Multiple voting
Dead and voting
Election and counting and violation
Election and counting and error
Vote and counting and violation
Vote and counting and error
Voter and intimidation
Voter and intimidating
Vote and intimidation
Denial and voter and registration
Voter identification
Vote and identification
Voter and racial profiling
Vote and racial profiling
Voter and racial
Vote and racial
Voter and racial and challenge
Vote and racial and challenge
Voter and deny and racial
Vote and deny and racial
Voter and deny and challenge
Vote and deny and challenge
Voter and deny and black
Vote and deny and black
Voter and black and challenge
Vote and black and challenge

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Voter and deny and African American
Vote and deny and African American
Voter and African American and challenge
Vote and African American and challenge
Election and black and challenge
Election and African American and challenge
Voter and deny and Hispanic
Voter and deny and Latino
Vote and deny and Hispanic
Vote and deny and Latino
Voter and Hispanic and challenge
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Election and Latino and challenge
Voter and deny and Native American
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Voter and Asian American and challenge
Election and Asian American and challenge
Voter and deny and Indian
Vote and deny and Indian
Voter and Indian and challenge
Vote and Indian and challenge
Election and Indian and challenge
Poll tax
Voting and test
Absentee ballot and deny
Absentee ballot and reject
Absentee ballot and challenge
Vote and challenge
Voter and challenge
Election and challenge
Vote and police
Voter and police
Poll and police
Vote and law enforcement
Voter and law enforcement
Poll and law enforcement
Vote and deceptive practices
Voter and deceptive practices
Election and deceptive practices
Voter and deceive
Voter and false information
Dirty tricks
Vote and felon
Vote and ex-felon
Disenfranchisement
Disenfranchise
Law and election and manipulation
Vote and purging
Vote and purge
Registration and removal
Registration and purging

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Registration and purge
Vote buying
Vote and noncitizen
Voter and noncitizen
Vote and selective enforcement
Identification and selective
Election and misinformation
Registration and restrictions
Election and administrator and fraud
Election and official and fraud
Provisional ballot and deny
Provisional ballot and denial
Affidavit ballot and deny
Affidavit ballot and denial
Absentee ballot and coerce
Absentee ballot and coercion
Registration and destruction
Voter and deter
Vote and deterrence
Voter and deterrence
Ballot integrity
Ballot security
Ballot security and minority
Ballot security and black
Ballot security and African American
Ballot security and Latino
Ballot security and Hispanic
Ballot security and Native American
Ballot security and Indian
Vote and suppression
Minority and vote and suppression
Black and vote and suppression
African American and vote and suppression
Latino and vote and suppression
Hispanic and vote and suppression
Native American and vote and suppression
Vote and suppress
Minority and vote and suppress
African American and vote and suppress
Latino and vote and suppress
Native American and vote and suppress
Vote and depress
Jim Crow
Literacy test
Voter and harass
Voter and harassment
Vote and mail and fraud
Poll and guards
Election and consent decree
Vote and barrier
Voting and barrier
Voter and barrier
Election and long line
Voter and long line

Poll worker and challenge
Poll worker and intimidate
Poll worker and intimidation
Poll worker and intimidating
Poll worker and threatening
Poll worker and abusive

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Election official and challenge
Election official and intimidate
Election official and intimidation
Election official and intimidating
Election official and threatening
Election official and abusive
Poll watcher and challenge
Poll watcher and intimidate
Poll watcher and intimidating
Poll watcher and intimidation
Poll watcher and abusive
Poll watcher and threatening
Poll inspector and challenge
Poll inspector and intimidate
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Poll judge and challenge
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Election judge and challenge
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Election judge and abusive
Election judge and threatening
Election monitor and challenge
Election monitor and intimidate
Election monitor and intimidating
Election monitor and intimidation
Election monitor and abusive
Election monitor and threatening
Election observer and challenge
Election observer and intimidate
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Election observer and abusive
Election observer and threatening

—— Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:19 PM ——



"Tova Wang"

05/15/2006 05:05 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Fraud Definition

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[REDACTED]
07/17/2006 09:33 AM


To psims@eac.gov
cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED], wang@tcr.org
Subject final report

Hi Peg,

Attached please find **drafts** of the sections for the final report. Job, **please** double check I'm not missing anything or sent the wrong version of anything. I'm very concerned I may have. Is there a summary of the case review that I should have? Also, as we discussed, the attached does not include all of the individual summaries and charts which we already gave you for the working group and which have not changed. Peg, we'll want to see the complete set of the materials you plan to give to the commissioners, et.al., before you do so. If you could both let me know if all the formatting is OK, that would be great too. Thanks so much and look forward to talking to you at 7 EST.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
07/17/2006 01:41 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]
cc [REDACTED]
Subject RE: final report 

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Here is the list of Working Group members with some information highlighted about each individual. Yes, you can email me later in the day to let me know if I should call you at home or at work. --- Peggy



Working Group Members 5-12-06.doc

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

07/17/2006 12:34 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: final report

Can you send it over? As I recall, it includes bios, right? I'm assuming on the interviewees you think we should have very short biographical information? Also, Peg, I'm not sure if I'll still be at work at 7 or home. Is it ok if I email you late in the day as to where I am? My home phone (for only two more weeks!) is 212-362-5223. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, July 17, 2006 11:26 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: 'Job Serebrov'; [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: final report

Yes, I have the list of Working Group members. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

07/17/2006 10:29 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

Subject RE: final report

appendices attached, except Peg I think you put together the list of the working group members? In any case, I can't find one at the moment, but it would be easy enough to put together. Perhaps even Devon or someone could do that, especially since I don't think I have any hours left, and probably shouldn't even be writing this email. I don't remember the conversation about adding to the list of interviewees, but we can talk about that later.

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

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Sent: Monday, July 17, 2006 9:13 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: 'Job Serebrov' [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: final report

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"Tova Wang"

07/17/2006 10:36 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: final report

Speaking of which, does this look ok to you?

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, July 17, 2006 9:13 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: 'Job Serebrov'; wang@tcf.org

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"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]
07/17/2006 05:51 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject contacting Job

He asks that you call him on his cell, 501-626-0440

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[REDACTED]

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

07/19/2006 11:23 AM

To Job Serebrov
cc

Subject Voucher

I received your faxed voucher this morning, signed it, and submitted it to Finance. --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:16 PM -----



"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]
07/17/2006 05:36 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc

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Subject I'll be in my office :(

212-452-7704


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Juliet E.
Thompson-Hodgkins/EAC/GO
V
07/17/2006 10:18 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Draft Report 

That's good.
Juliet Thompson Hodgkins
General Counsel
United States Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave., NW, Ste 1100
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 566-3100
Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
07/17/2006 10:15 AM

To jthompson@eac.gov
cc twilkey@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Draft Report

Julie:

I received pieces of the draft final report on voting fraud-voter intimidation this morning. If it is OK with you, I'll hold it until all I have all of the pieces, so that you can review it as a whole document. --- Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
07/18/2006 03:46 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]
cc
Subject RE: final report [REDACTED]

I'm sorry I did not get back to you on this yesterday. I reviewed the voucher this morning and found that only two corrections are needed (coverage dates and # of days worked during the first two weeks). I've made the corrections in red on the attached copy of your voucher. --- Peggy



Wang voucher 6-18 to 7-15.doc

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"
[REDACTED]
07/17/2006 10:36 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject RE: final report

Speaking of which, does this look ok to you?
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Sent: Monday, July 17, 2006 9:13 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: 'Job Serebrov'; [REDACTED]
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"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

07/17/2006 09:33 AM

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cc "'Job Serebrov'" [REDACTED]
Subject final report

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Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV

07/28/2006 09:30 AM

To twilkey@eac.gov, Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC, Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Fw: Invitation to attend Election Fraud Conference

All-

I assume that in light of our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation project, we will have an EAC presence there?

K
Karen Lynn-Dyson
Research Manager
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Avenue , NW Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005

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tel:202-566-3123

----- Forwarded by Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV on 07/28/2006 09:27 AM -----



"Melissa Slemin"

07/27/2006 07:25 PM

To soverton@..., dena@...,
maidenberg@..., "GPM" @...,
"Kristen Engberg" @...,
"Michael Caudell-Feagan"
<MCaudell-Feagan@...>, "Daniel Tokaji"
<tokaji.d@...>, "Charles Stewart III"
<...@...>, klynndyson@eac.gov,
Cameron.Quinn@usdoj.gov, ...@...
cc

Subject Invitation to attend Election Fraud Conference

Please find attached an invitation to attend the Election Fraud Conference co-sponsored by the Center for Public Policy and Administration at the University of Utah and the Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project, September 29-30, 2006 in Salt Lake City, UT.

Regards,
Melissa Slemin

+++++
California Institute of Technology
Voting Technology Project
MC 228-77
1200 E California Blvd
Pasadena, CA 91125
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



<http://votingtechnologyproject.org> NonPres-memo.pdf

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"Job Serebrov"

07/25/2006 08:27 AM

To [REDACTED]@sims@eac.gov
cc

Subject Re: No teleconference today

There was no telephone conference scheduled yesterday. If you all remember, due to my current job and grandchildren situation we were unable to arrange a teleconference.

--- [REDACTED] wrote:

> Whats going on? Where are we at? Thanks. Tova
> ----- Original Message -----

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> From: <psims@eac.gov>
> To: "Tova Andrea Wang" <[REDACTED]>, "Job
> Serebrov"
> [REDACTED]
> Sent: Monday, July 24, 2006 5:14 PM
> Subject: No teleconference today
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> > -----
> > Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld
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----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:16 PM -----



[REDACTED]
07/29/2006 03:32 PM

To Undisclosed-Recipient;;
cc
Subject moving to our DC office

Dear friends and colleagues,

As some of you know, I have decided to voluntarily give up many of my voting rights and become a resident of the District of Columbia. As I will be simply transferring to The Century Foundation's DC office, my email will remain the same (wang@tcf.org). My new work contact information as of August 8 is as follows:

The Century Foundation
1333 H Street, NW
10th Floor
Washington, DC 20005

[REDACTED]
(202) 462-1100

I look forward to speaking with you and seeing you soon.

Tova Wang
Democracy Fellow
The Century Foundation

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/30/2007 06:33 PM

To eacon@eac.gov

cc

bcc

Subject Vote Fraud Study-Archived Email Part 3

The 3rd batch.

Peg Sims

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:25 PM -----



"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

To psims@eac.gov

>

cc

05/03/2006 12:53 PM

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay -- you are on for May 18th! Can we do it over here at 10?

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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05/05/2006 06:06 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Working Group

Tuesday at 4 is OK for me.

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: dromig@eac.gov

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 2:32 PM

Subject: Working Group

Hi, Folks:

Teleconference

Are both of you available for a teleconference next Tuesday afternoon at about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you, please suggest another date and/or time. I would like to discuss our preparations for the Working Group meeting.

Working Group Members

We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local election official: J.R. Perez, Elections Administrator for Guadalupe County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no objections to him. He is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat Rogers office, but have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any pull with him, you may want to contact him, too.

Travel Arrangements

You should make your own travel arrangements, including hotel. Travel time cannot be billed to the contract, except for hours actually worked on the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting, and the like). Current Federal rates follow:

Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include hotel taxes (if you cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable rates that are a little higher)

Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is \$48 on the first and last day of travel)

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Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per mile

Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a travel authorization for you. I can approve your trip via email. Afterwards, when you turn in your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline receipt (or mileage documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground transportation receipts and a copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the total travel expenses due you, including applicable per diem. I do not need meal receipts.

Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations for personal reasons are not normally accommodated. What you can do, however, is to give me a comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel, and per diem of doing it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight, ground transportation, hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it should be no problem to cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive, we may only pay up to the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules apply to me when I travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC, you will spend the night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.

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05/09/2006 11:33 AM

To "Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
cc [REDACTED]
Subject Re: Working Group-Perez [REDACTED]

Did you look at the attached excerpts from Texas Code? --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]



"Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
05/09/2006 11:23 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc [REDACTED]
Subject Re: Working Group-Perez

We have the same set-up here in Arkansas. We hired a person just like Perez. However, given this, I would still like to know if he has a party affiliation and this brings up another issue. How is the county election commission chosen. In Arkansas it is the

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Chairmen of the Republican and Democrat Parties or if he/she does not want to serve a person is elected in his/her stead and a third member picked by the party with the most constitutional officers. Practically that has meant that the Democrats have controlled election commissions in Arkansas since the end of Reconstruction. This is why I want to know the situation in Texas.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> As you may recall, the Commissioners directed me to
> find a nonpartisan
> local election official to serve on the Working
> Group. The three of us
> discussed the desirability of having a HIspanic. I
> proposed that I find
> someone from Texas because of that State's colorful
> history of voting
> fraud and their innovative approaches to combat it.
> In those Texas
> counties that hire Election Administrators to run
> elections, rather than
> having elected officials do so (Tax Assessor for
> voter registration;
> County Clerk for balloting), the Election
> Administrator is hired by the
> County Election Commission and is supposed to
> perform his or her duties in
> a nonpartisan manner. (See attached excerpts from
> Texas Election Code
> regarding election administrator hiring and
> restrictions on partisan
> activity.)
> Any experienced Texas election official will be
> familiar with voting fraud
> and voter intimidation schemes used in that State.
> Mr. Perez has over 13
> years experience as a county Election Administrator
> in Texas. You won't
> find many news articles mentioning him because he
> has kept his nose clean.
> (The Texas press, as in many other parts of the
> country, prefers to
> report bad news.) Mr. Perez is plugged into the
> association of Texas
> election officials and the two largest organizations
> of election officials
> in this country: the International Association of
> Clerks, Recorders,
> Election Officials and Treasurers (IACREOT); and The
> Election Center. He
> is a past President and past Chairman of the
> Legislative Committee for the
> Texas Association of Election Administrators. He
> currently serves on
> IACREOT's Election Officials Committee, which plans
> the educational
> sessions for election officials that are conducted

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> at that organization's
> conferences. His peers in IACREOT and The Election
> Center have selected
> his submissions on web presentations (IACREOT) and
> his professional
> practices papers (Election Center) for awards. Mr.
> Perez also has access
> to information from other States through his
> membership in IACREOT and The
> Election Center. He also has a sense of humor,
> which you will note if you
> access the staff web page on the Guadalupe County
> Elections web site and
> hear the Mission Impossible theme .. something that
> might be useful in the
> upcoming meeting.
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> Guadalupe County is small but growing. In 2004, the
> county had over 65
> thousand registered voters (a number more than
> doubled the number of
> registered voters in 1988). A third of the county's
> population claims
> Hispanic or Latino origin, according to the U.S.
> Census Bureau. The county
> is in south central Texas and is bordered by Comal,
> Hays, Cladwell,
> Gonzales, Wilson, and Bexar counties. In the 1980s,
> the county was
> predominately a farming community; but in recent
> years, many people have
> moved from San Antonio (Bexar County) to Guadalupe
> County, preferring to
> live in Guadalupe County and work in Bexar County.
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> --- Peggy
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> "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> 05/08/2006 11:30 PM
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> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
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> Subject
> Re: Working Group
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> Peggy:
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> What political party is Perez with? How political is
> he? Is the position in Texas neutral or political?

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> Who
> appointed Perez?
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> As to Pat I will contact him but I can't promise
> anything. If Pat can't come, who is getting knocked
> off Tova's list?
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/05/2006 05:34 PM

To Diana Scott

cc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC, dromig@eac.gov

Subject Working Group Travel

Diana:

The following members of the Working Group for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation research project will need to make travel arrangements in order to attend an afternoon meeting of the group on May 18 in Washington, DC:

Mark "Thor" Hearne - St Louis, MO
J.R. Perez - Seguin, TX
The Honorable Todd Rokita - Indianapolis, IN
Kathy Rogers - Atlanta, GA

I may have one additional member from Albuquerque, NM confirmed early next week.

May these people use Adventure Travel to make these arrangements in the same manner as the Asian Language Working Group? I understand the members of that group made hotel and flight arrangements through Adventure Travel and that these costs were billed directly to EAC. We did plan for EAC to pay for the travel of the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group (budgeted under Research). Devon will prepare their travel authorizations.

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"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]

05/11/2006 10:12 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Today's Teleconference

This seems OK, I guess its a less detailed version of what I sent you. I hope you will advise us as to what

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we are supposed to talk about/go over since we have provided the group with everything we've done ahead of time. I also hope that you will have an answer for me on Wade. It utterly essential that we have a leader from the civil rights community at the table.

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Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 9:07 AM

To: [REDACTED]

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"Job Serebroy"

05/11/2006 03:36 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED], psims@eac.gov

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Re: new working group representative

I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize he comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority attorney and we already have a rep who worked with DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not fill that position since I am one down.

--- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:

> is Jon Greenbaum
>
> Here' s his info in full:
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> <http://www.lawyerscommittee.org/2005website/aboutus/staff/staffgreenbaum.htm>
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>
> He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project for
> the Lawyers Committee
> for Civil Rights. He will be representing Barbara
> Arnwine, the Executive
> Director of the Lawyers Committee.
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> His contact and mailing info is:
>
> [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED]
> 1401 New York Avenue, NW
> Suite 400
> Washington, DC 20005
>
>
>
> Tova Andrea Wang
> Democracy Fellow
> The Century Foundation

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> 41 East 70th Street, New York, NY 10021

> [REDACTED]

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> Visit our Web site, [REDACTED]

> [REDACTED] for the latest news,

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"Tova Wang"

05/11/2006 02:12 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject RE: Literature Summary

It might be an Apple issue

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Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2006 1:09 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Literature Summary

Tova just sent me the summary you prepared of The Federal Crime of Election Fraud by Craig Donsanto. There is something wrong in the fourth paragraph (odd characters and missing text). Can you please send a replacement fourth paragraph? You can send it in an email and I will place it in the document. --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov"

05/04/2006 12:04 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Good News

Peggy:

Rogers contact information is below on my last message. My uncle is having a complicated procedure where they are both cementing his spine to shore it up and testing for a malignant tumor---which they now

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suspect as the cause of the sudden bone problems. If it is a tumor, the working group session could get complicated.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
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> Hope your uncle's surgery goes well.
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> I have the Chairman's OK to follow your
> recommendation and replace
> Norcross with Rogers. Do you have contact
> information for Rogers? ---
> Peggy
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> "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]@regional.net
> 05/04/2006 11:17 AM
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> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
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> Subject
> Re: Good News
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>
> I will have a better idea about my uncle's condition
> today after surgery.
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> See:
> [REDACTED]
> 500 Fourth Street NW
> P.O. Box 2168
> Albuquerque, NM 87103-2168
> [REDACTED]
> Fax: (505) [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED]
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > Job:
> > Secretary Rokita is available May 18. I'm going
> > to
> > talk with the Chairman
> > today about substituting Rogers for Norcross. Do
> > you have contact
> > information for Rogers? --- Peggy
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The non-election officials on the Working Group currently include:

- Barry Weinberg, whom you know
- Barbara Arnwine, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law (organization associated with the Voting Rights Project and Election Protection)
- Bob Bauer, Perkins Coie, DC (Democrat attorney)
- Mark "Thor" Hearne, Lathrop & Gage, St Louis, MO (Republican attorney)

I am trying to recruit one other Republican attorney, Patrick Rogers, Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris and Sisk, NM, who was recommended by our Republican consultant. He would replace an original member who is no longer available.

I know that Barbara has associated at conferences and in legislative efforts with Wade Henderson, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. Also, the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights is listed as on of many members of the Executive Committee for the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (see http://www.civilrights.org/about/lccr/executive_committee.html).

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05/04/2006 06:08 PM

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Peggy -- they don't have anything to do with the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights do they?

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05/04/2006 03:26 PM

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:34 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: May 18 Meeting

No, but I have left a message for her assistant and I am waiting for her to return my call. I will let you know as soon as I hear anything.

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Did Barbara Arnwine's office indicate who they propose to send in her place? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]

05/08/2006 11:30 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: Working Group

Peggy:

What political party is Perez with? How political is he? Is the position in Texas neutral or political? Who appointed Perez?

As to Pat I will contact him but I can't promise anything. If Pat can't come, who is getting knocked off Tova's list?

Job

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Diana Scott/EAC/GOV

05/08/2006 10:22 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc dromig@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Re: Working Group Travel [icon]

Peggy,

I will send these names to Adventure Travel (AT) authorizing AT to place the airfare and hotel charges on our credit card. That is all I do on my end. BUT Devon has to follow up to make all the arrangements with Marvin Brokaw at AT and whatever else is required as far as support servs. for the meeting is concerned.

I assume this is a separate meeting from the 2 Karen & Brian are having?

Diana M. Scott
Administrative Officer
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
(202) 566-3100 (office)
(202) 566-3127 (fax)
dscott@eac.gov

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To DScott@eac.gov
cc Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC, dromig@eac.gov
Subject Working Group Travel

Diana:

The following members of the Working Group for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation research project will need to make travel arrangements in order to attend an afternoon meeting of the group on May 18 in Washington, DC:

Mark "Thor" Hearne - St Louis, MO
J.R. Perez - Seguin, TX
The Honorable Todd Rokita - Indianapolis, IN
Kathy Rogers - Atlanta, GA

I may have one additional member from Albuquerque, NM confirmed early next week.

May these people use Adventure Travel to make these arrangements in the same manner as the Asian Language Working Group? I understand the members of that group made hotel and flight arrangements through Adventure Travel and that these costs were billed directly to EAC. We did plan for EAC to pay for the travel of the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Working Group (budgeted under Research). Devon will prepare their travel authorizations.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist

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"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]

05/08/2006 09:58 PM

To psims@eac.gov
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Subject Re: Working Group-Travel Costs

Peggy:

Please tell the folks there that I am not worried about a perceived breach of contract. This is a completely ridiculous statement considering the contractual requirement that the consultants convene the Working Group and not the Commission and it never specifies where or when this is to take place. All this to say that while the contract does specify a Working Group meeting it does not specify that it must

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take place on any particular date or in a particular city. With that said, I have never heard of any federal travel requirements that would result in a loss of money because I decided to drive and not fly. In fact, that is why there is a an amount paid per mile. So I would like to see the federal regulation that forces me to take the least expensive transport and restricts all other ground transport costs to that figure.

As to hotels, based on Tova's research there are no rooms for under the \$350 range per night. If you can find hotels that are less expensive but still carry the kind of bed I need for my back (either pillow top or a number bed) please do.

The issue of my uncle---today I have not had an update on his condition. But, as I previously stated, if he were to die or have an event while I was in DC, I would have to go to NYC meeting or no meeting.

Finally, neither Tova nor I have been satisfied about Mr. Perez and I have not been told whether Pat Rogers will be coming or one of Tova's people will not be.

In the end, I need to see the travel regulation that I requested above, I would like you to look into hotels for Tova and me that have the kind of bed I need and I would like to know about Perez and Rogers. In the mean time, I should have an update on my uncle by morning. I would also be happy to talk to Julie about the issues involved. I will take you up on your offer to process my travel expenses faster and I do not and never did expect you to get me a travel advance. I worked in international development and know what a headache those are to apply for on the state level.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job:
>
> Folks here are concerned that your failure to show
> up in person to help
> conduct the meeting would be a breach of contract.
> I also am concerned
> about the impression that your absence will leave
> with the Commissioners
> and with the VIPs coming to this meeting.
>
> If you are concerned about delays in reimbursement
> caused by including the
> travel expenses in the personal services voucher, I
> can always process
> your request (with receipts) separately and earlier.
> I can have staff
> here check to see if we can find hotel rooms at a
> more reasonable rate for
> you and Tova. (We recognize that you may not be

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> able to obtain Federal
> government rate.) What I cannot do is offer a
> travel advance, which is
> not permitted for nonfederal employees, or offer to
> pay the difference
> between normal travel expenses and those incurred
> for personal
> convenience, when the latter is the higher amount.
>
> I urge you to make your travel arrangements ASAP.
>
> Peggy Sims
> Election Research Specialist
> U.S. Election Assistance Commission
> 1225 New York Ave, NW - Ste 1100
> Washington, DC 20005
> Phone: 866-747-1471 (toll free) or 202-566-3120
> (direct)
> Fax: 202-566-3127
> email: psims@eac.gov
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> "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> 05/08/2006 01:41 PM
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> To
> psims@eac.gov
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> Re: Working Group
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> Given the information I have Peggy, that is not
> going
> to be financially possible. First, given Tova's info
> about the hotels, it is too much for me to front.
> Two
> to three days in DC would run around \$1000 for the
> hotel alone. That does not count the two days on the
> road to get there and two days back. Second, if I
> can't charge the federal per mile allowance for the
> entire trip to DC and back and can only get the
> equivalent of plane fare, I will actually lose
> money.
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> I simply do not see how we can do this in person
> given
> the financial restrictions.
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:

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> > Job:
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> > I don't think we can put you on teleconference for
> > 4 1/2 hours. We really
> > need to have you here in person if you are to help
> > conduct the Working
> > Group meeting. You should make your travel
> > arrangements ASAP. --- Peggy
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> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 05/08/2006 10:14 AM
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> > To
> > psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]
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> > Subject
> > Re: Working Group
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> > Peggy:
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> > 4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the
> > financial restrictions that you indicated would be
> > in
> > place for use of my car (I would actually loose
> > money
> > coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this
> > time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait
> > for
> > months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle
> > for
> > this working group meeting to take place in
> person.
> > It
> > is looking like the only way it will get done is
> by
> > teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about
> > the
> > unknown nature of Mr. Perez.
> >
> > Job
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> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> >
> > > Hi, Folks:
> > >
> > > Teleconference
> > > Are both of you available for a teleconference
> > next
> > > Tuesday afternoon at

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> > > about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> > > please suggest another
> > > date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> > > preparations for the
> > > Working Group meeting.
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> > > Working Group Members
> > > We have a very good person to fill the slot for
> > the
> > > nonpartisan local
> > > election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> > > Administrator for Guadalupe
> > > County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have
> > no
> > > objections to him. He
> > > is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to
> > Pat
> > > Rogers office, but
> > > have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have
> > any
> > > pull with him, you
> > > may want to contact him, too.
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> > > Travel Arrangements
> > > You should make your own travel arrangements,
> > > including hotel. Travel
> > > time cannot be billed to the contract, except
> > for
> > > hours actually worked on
> > > the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> > > preparation for the meeting,
> > > and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
> > >
> > > Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include
> > > hotel taxes (if you
> > > cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> > > rates that are a little
> > > higher)
> > > Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that
> > it
> > is
> > > \$48 on the first and
> > > last day of travel)
> > > Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445
> > per
> > > mile
> > >
> > > Under the new contract, I do not have to fill
> > out
> > a
> > > travel authorization
> > > for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> > > Afterwards, when you turn in
> > > your next pay voucher, you can attach the
> > airline
> > > receipt (or mileage
> > > documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> > > transportation receipts and a
> > > copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> > > total travel expenses due
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"Job Serebrov"

05/05/2006 10:17 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject WG Meeting

Peggy:

At this point and unless my uncle dies before May 18, the only way I will go to DC is to drive my car. I will need it in case my uncle dies while I am there. You will need to get approval for the use of my car and the two days it will take me to get there and two days back.

Job

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"Job Serebrov"

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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: new working group representative

The Commissioners made this an equal bi-partisan issue. I am seen as representing the Republican Party. I now have a responsibility to assure that this ends up bi-partisan. I have been placed in a position of dual obligations---both to the contract and to the Party. I in fact see myself as carrying out what the Commission wanted to the letter---equal bi-partisan representation.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Your response suggests that you do not care what the
> Commissioners may
> think about the effort. --- Peggy
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> "Job Serebrov" <serebrov@eac.gov>
> 05/11/2006 04:35 PM
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> To
> psims@eac.gov

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> cc
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> Subject
> Re: new working group representative
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> Peggy:
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> Braden is ok also with me but please don't tell me
> not
> to "stir up" things. I assure you nothing will come
> back to bite me. I know these people well enough to
> say they will also want a balanced group. In fact,
> one
> of them was very unhappy with Tova's folks.
>
> Job
>
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
>
> > According to the Commissioners, you and Tova each
> > got to pick three
> > members of the Working Group. The Commission
> > guidance regarding this
> > particular member follows:
> >
> > 4 people from the Academic, Legal and Advocacy
> > sectors - 2 to be chosen by
> > Tova and 2 to be chosen by Job.
> >
> > This issue of allowing a designee relates to
> Tova's
> > pick.
> >
> > As I understand it, we are working on a
> replacement
> > for Norcross. If
> > Ginsberg is not viable, how about Mark Braden, who
> > includes public
> > integrity in his areas of specialization. I would
> > not try and stir up
> > other members of the Working Group, if I were you.
>
> > The effort is likely
> > to come back and bite you.
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> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 05/11/2006 03:53 PM
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> > To
> > psims@eac.gov
> > cc
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> > Subject
> > Re: new working group representative
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> > I really don't care if he represents the
> > organization
> > or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was
> > because Arnwine was African-American. If you are
> > going
> > to invite him without first having a replacement
> > for
> > my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and
> > discuss
> > all of this.
> >
> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
> >
> > > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> > > her. He works for her
> > > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy
> > >
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> > >
> > > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > > 05/11/2006 03:36 PM
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> > > To
> > > "Tova Wang" [REDACTED], psims@eac.gov
> > > cc
> > > [REDACTED]
> > > Subject
> > > Re: new working group representative
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> > > I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I
> > realize
> > he
> > > comes from an advocacy group, he is not a
> > minority
> > > attorney and we already have a rep who worked
> > with
> > > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather
> > not
> > > fill
> > > that position since I am one down.
> > >
> > > --- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:
> > >
> > > > is Jon Greenbaum
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> > > > Here' s his info in full:
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05/04/2006 02:28 PM

To "Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation 

Right now, we are planning to meet in EAC's large conference room between 1 PM and 5 PM. If you cannot be there for the whole afternoon, we will appreciate whatever time you can spare. I'll get back to you with more information (agenda, list of Working Group members, etc.). --- Peggy

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To "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

I will add "DRAFT" to the definition and, yes, the WG will have suggestions. I do plan to send packets to you and Tova containing the same materials being provided to the WG. I haven't sent anything yet because I was hoping to finalize the WG list for inclusion. (Still waiting for a response from Ginsberg.)

Regarding Tova's response, we may want to have a very short meeting after the WG disperses, followed by a teleconference the following Monday afternoon. Tuesday is bad for me because I'll be out of the office attending a series of EAC meetings that begin that day. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>



"Job Serebrov"

05/12/2006 12:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have suggestions. Will you be sending us the same packets that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure with Tova's response we will need to have a teleconference on the report once I return to Little Rock. We will need to do it that following Monday or Tuesday.

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--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Would you please take a look at the attached? I
> combined both of your
> definitions, reformatted the list, removed a
> reference to the fraud having
> to have an actual impact on the election results
> (because fraud can be
> prosecuted without proving that it actually changed
> the results of the
> election), and taken out a couple of vague examples
> (e.g.; reference to
> failing to enforce state laws --- because there may
> be legitimate reasons
> for not doing so).
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> I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and
> am waiting to hear if
> he accepts our invitation to join the working group.
> --- Peggy
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Peggy



Perez bio 5_5_06.doc

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 03:19 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition 

I have placed another call to his office (after one previous call to his assistant and an email to him). I, too, am concerned about our dwindling chances. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" 



"Job Serebrov"

05/12/2006 03:06 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

Given the short time period, you may want to give Ginsberg a deadline. The longer we wait, the poorer our chances are of getting Braden.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> I am reluctant to invite Braden until after I have
> received a "No" from
> Ginsberg. --- Peg
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> "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>
> 05/12/2006 02:33 PM
>
> To
> psims@eac.gov
> cc
>
> Subject
> Re: Fraud Definition
>
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>
>
> Sounds good to me. If not Ginsburg try Braden.
>
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
>
> > I will add "DRAFT" to the definition and, yes, the
> > WG will have
> > suggestions. I do plan to send packets to you and
> > Tova containing the
> > same materials being provided to the WG. I
> > haven't
> > sent anything yet
> > because I was hoping to finalize the WG list for
> > inclusion. (Still
> > waiting for a response from Ginsberg.)
> >
> > Regarding Tova's response, we may want to have a
> > very short meeting after
> > the WG disperses, followed by a teleconference the
> > following Monday
> > afternoon. Tuesday is bad for me because I'll be
> > out of the office
> > attending a series of EAC meetings that begin that
> > day. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov" <serebrov@sbcglobal.net>
> > 05/12/2006 12:52 PM
> >
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov, wang@tcf.org
> > cc
> >
> > Subject
> > Re: Fraud Definition
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> >
> > This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have
> > suggestions. Will you be sending us the same
> packets
> > that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure with

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"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

04/26/2006 11:22 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

Subject interview analysis

Hi Peg,

Attached, to add to the collection, is a summary overview of the interviews. Do you have that spreadsheet you were telling me about reflecting the times WG participants are available? If so, maybe we can talk soon? Thanks. Tova

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[REDACTED]
05/07/2006 12:33 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: Working Group

The bio for JR Perez tells us very little about him and there is pretty much nothing about him on the web. Can you tell us more about him and how you decided on him? Thanks. Tova

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: dromig@eac.gov

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 2:32 PM

Subject: Working Group

Hi, Folks:

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Teleconference

Are both of you available for a teleconference next Tuesday afternoon at about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you, please suggest another date and/or time. I would like to discuss our preparations for the Working Group meeting.

Working Group Members

We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local election official: J.R. Perez, Elections Administrator for Guadalupe County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no objections to him. He is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat Rogers office, but have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any pull with him, you may want to contact him, too.

Travel Arrangements

You should make your own travel arrangements, including hotel. Travel time cannot be billed to the contract, except for hours actually worked on the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting, and the like). Current Federal rates follow:

Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include hotel taxes (if you cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable rates that are a little higher)

Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is \$48 on the first and last day of travel)

Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per mile

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Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 10:27 AM

To Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

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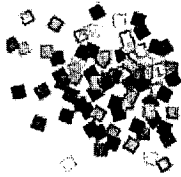
Subject Re: Court reporter 

Thanks for checking this out for me, Devon. I've asked Tom if there are funds available for this service. Our consultants were very enthusiastic about the idea. --- Peg

Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV



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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/04/2006 02:39 PM

To Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV

cc dromig@eac.gov, ecortes@eac.gov

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting



Yes. Thanks. Depending on when Commissioner Davidson can spare you, we may need your help putting materials together for the Working Group (probably next week). We also will have to print name tags and place cards. If you are a good note-taker, we also will need people to take turns taking notes at the meeting. --- Peggy

Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV



Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV

05/04/2006 02:26 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting



Peggy,

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Can I help on this working group?

Elle

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05/04/2006 02:07 PM

To pdegregorio@eac.gov, rmartinez@eac.gov,
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cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov, Gavin S.
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Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC, Elieen L.
Collver/EAC/GOV@EAC, Sheila A. Banks/EAC/GOV@EAC,
bbenavides@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Dear Commissioners:

This is to let you know that the Working Group for our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation preliminary research project is scheduled to meet in EAC's large conference room the afternoon of Thursday, May 18. I will provide more information about this meeting to you later.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 10:33 AM

To Job Serebrov
cc
Subject Good News

Job:

Secretary Rokita is available May 18. I'm going to talk with the Chairman today about substituting Rogers for Norcross. Do you have contact information for Rogers? --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 05:20 PM

To "Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL
cc
Subject

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RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation 

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project. I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>



"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov
>

To psims@eac.gov

cc

05/04/2006 03:26 PM

Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peg - - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 02:32 PM

Topsims@eac.gov

cc

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SubjectRE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay, Peg - - I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Right now, we are planning to meet in EAC's large conference room between 1 PM and 5 PM. If you cannot be there for the whole afternoon, we will appreciate whatever time you can spare. I'll get back to you with more information (agenda, list of Working Group members, etc.). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 05:59 PM

Topsims@eac.gov
cc
SubjectRe: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Afternoon of May 18 -- 2:30 okay? How long will they need??

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Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 16:59:09 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

I am looking at the afternoon of 5/18 for the meeting, due to scheduling conflicts of Working Group members. There remain two members from whom we have not yet received confirmations of their schedule (with some, it is like pulling teeth), but right now 5/18 still looks like the best day. We may have to hold the meeting over here to make it easier for Commissioners to drop in.
--- Peg

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 12:53 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay -- you are on for May 18th! Can we do it over here at 10?

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 12:40:19 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

My problem is that agency staff is booked most of the week of 5/21. Monday through Wednesday are taken up with meetings of the Standards Board Executive Committee, the full Standards Board, and the Board of Advisors. Thursday, we have EAC's public meeting. Also, I will lose one of my two consultants in June, so I'm trying to wrap up this project (and get the final report from the consultants) by the end of May.

Say "Hi" to Cameron for me.

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"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 11:56 AM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Hi Peg. I am sitting here with Cameron Quinn putting together this year's ballt conference for AUSAs. She send her best!

I am available on 5/18. But I am also going to the Board of Advisors Meeting the following week. I would rather do this then.

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wed May 03 11:39:50 2006

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

We are continuing our efforts to hone in on a date for the Working Group meeting. Are you available the afternoon of Thursday, May 18?

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
U.S. Election Assistance Commission

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/12/2006 01:34 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

cc

Subject RE: Fraud Definition [REDACTED]

Lets raise this issue at the meeting. (I'll add "DRAFT" to the current document.) My concern is that there

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are a number of requirements in the Voting Rights Act. Not all of them are considered election fraud, when violated. For example, failure to preclear changes in election procedures is not treated as election fraud, though it is actionable. --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

05/12/2006 12:45 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject RE: Fraud Definition

Upon first reading, my only comment would be that I would like to restore "failing to follow the requirements of the Voting Rights Act"

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 12, 2006 9:20 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Fraud Definition

Would you please take a look at the attached? I combined both of your definitions, reformatted the list, removed a reference to the fraud having to have an actual impact on the election results (because fraud can be prosecuted without proving that it actually changed the results of the election), and taken out a couple of vague examples (e.g.; reference to failing to enforce state laws --- because there may be legitimate reasons for not doing so).

I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and am waiting to hear if he accepts our invitation to join the working group. --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/24/2006 12:13 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: invoice [REDACTED]

Tova:

The draft voucher looks fine except for two things (one of them is our fault):

- (1) it appears that you worked 11 days, rather than 10, during the first two weeks; and
- (2) you need to put the total dollar amount owed you (\$9,102) somewhere on the form. (Last time you put it in the box with the total hours worked this period.)

Don't forget to sign and date the voucher. Thanks.

Peggy Sims

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"Tova Wang" <wang@tcf.org>



"Tova Wang"

swang@tcf.org
04/24/2006 09:23 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject invoice

Hi Peg,

Can you please check this before I fax it? Thanks! And can we talk sometime today?

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/04/2006 02:10 PM

To Devon Romig
cc ecortes@eac.gov
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Barry Weinberg has confirmed he can attend the afternoon of May 18. He lives in the DC area, so we won't have to worry about travel. I have contacted Pat Rogers office and left a voice mail for his assistant. Hopefully, I will hear from them this afternoon. --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/27/2006 09:23 AM

To Tova Andrea Wang
cc

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Subject Bob Bauer

We have heard from Bob Bauer regarding his availability, so we don't need to have you pursue the matter.
Thanks for the offer, though. --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:24 PM -----



"Tova Wang"

05/09/2006 05:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject perez

I talked to Adam, and I am OK with JR Perez. I'm working on the Barbra situation.

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"Job Serebrov"

05/10/2006 12:25 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Travel

Peggy:

If I am calculating it right and I believe I am, it would cost around \$450 plus my meal allowance in Virginia and Tennessee (coming and going).

All of this said, I am still a person down and there is the bed problem.

Job

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To psims@eac.gov

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To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: wg

Thats great news. What happens with respect to hotels? Should I make my own arrangements? I expect Job and I will want to stay the nights of the 17th and 18th. Thanks Pegs. And congratulations.

----- Original Message -----

From: <psims@eac.gov>

To: [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 5:47 PM

Subject: Re: wg

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> Tova:

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> Rokita is available --- so the afternoon of May 18 it is. I will not
> disinvite anyone. I am trying to get Job's next choice (Pat Rogers) as a
> replacement for Norcross.

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> Monday appears to be out for a teleconference because Job will be
> unavailable that afternoon and I am scheduled for something else that
> morning. I'll check my schedule tomorrow and send a message to you and
> Job

> regarding other possible days and times. --- Peggy

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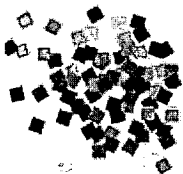
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> Hi Peg,
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> Just wondering if you had any word from Rokita. Also, I wanted to let you
> know that I think disinviting members of the working group would be a very
> unwise and frankly embarrassing way of dealing with the problem of getting
> 100% attendance. I'm sure we'll talk before any decisions are made. As I
> said, I'm free on Monday. Thanks. Tova
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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV
05/02/2006 01:11 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Re: Barbara Arnwine

Peggy,

I just received an update about Ms. Arnwine's schedule. She is not available on May 9th.

Thanks,

Devon

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/05/2006 10:56 AM

To "Weinberg and Utrecht"
cc [REDACTED]
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

Would you please provide an address to which we can Federal Express materials before the meeting? ---

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Peg

"Weinberg and Utrecht" <weinutr@verizon.net>



"Weinberg and Utrecht"

05/04/2006 01:34 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

that would be fine

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To: [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 1:08 PM

Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Barry:

It appears that the afternoon of Thursday, May 18 is best for a meeting of the working group. I know you said you would not be available in the morning that day. If we started at 1 PM, would that be too soon for you?

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